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- 11. (U) This message responds to request in reftel A for Embassy concurrence on planned Joint Combined Exchange Training (JCET) SNU2009JCET603W,
- 12. (SBU) Per request in para 2 of reftel, Embassy Managua concurs with the proposed JCET for FY09. We provide the following concurrence:
- -- Ambassador Paul A. Trivelli, U.S. Ambassador to Nicaragua -- LTC Micheal Regan, Commander, U.S. Military Group Nicaragua -- Maj Gen Julio Cesar Aviles Castillo, Chief of Staff, Nicaraguan Army
- 13. (SBU) Post confirms that a Leahy Human Rights Unit Vetting for the Nicaraguan Army's Special Operations Command (Comando de Operaciones Especiales or "COE") has been approved and is currently valid. Post requested Leahy Vetting for the COE via Managua 150 (DTG 072254Z FEB 08) and received affirmative response from Department of State via SecState 19181 (DTG 261735Z FEB 08). Per that response, Embassy Managua verifies that, as of February 25, 2008, the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the Special Operations Command (COE) of the Nicaraguan military. Per Leahy SOP, this vetting for the COE is valid through February 24, 2009.
- 14. (SBU) Please direct any additional questions regarding this message either to USMLGP Commander LTC Michael Regan (tel: 011-505-252-7490; email: ReganMC@state.gov), or to Managua Pol-Mil Officer Jesse Curtis (tel: 011-505-252-7128; email: CurtisJS@state.gov, CurtisJS@state.sgov.gov). TRIVELLI